

## **FIREFIGHTER**

(Competitive Class)

### **DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS**

The class of Firefighter comprises entrance level positions in the fire fighting division of fire department operations. Employees of this class primarily receive training for tasks such as controlling and extinguishing fires, performing rescue work, and maintaining fire department equipment, building, and grounds. Such training may consist of formal classroom study and/or drill sessions, as well as closely supervised on-the-job experience. Employees of this class are supervised by station captains and this class ranks directly below that of Fire Equipment Operator.

### **EXAMPLES OF WORK**

Examples listed below are illustrative only. They are not intended to include all duties which may be assigned, neither are they intended to exclude other duties which may be logical assignments to this class.

Participates in assigned training drills either as an individual or as a member of a group. Attends special schools or courses assigned. Reads and studies assigned material related to performance of work.

Trains for and performs firefighting and rescue tasks such as connecting, carrying, and operating hose lines, ventilating buildings, and using ladders, lines, and other equipment to aid in fighting fires or removing fire and accident victims to safety.

Administers first aid to victims of fire and accident either on the scene of an emergency or en route to the hospital.

Cleans, dries, inspects, and properly secures any assigned fire fighting equipment such as hoses, hand tools, portable breathing apparatus, ladders, or related equipment. Cleans fire vehicles.

Performs tasks necessary for the proper maintenance of station and grounds such as cleaning floors and windows, emptying trash cans, mowing grass, or related duties.

Performs public relations duties such as calming excited citizens at a fire scene, conducting station tours for individuals or civic groups, or related duties.

Performs fire prevention or fire inspection tasks such as inspecting fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, or portable fire extinguishers, studying the district to become familiar with the

location of fire plugs or water lines, interpreting or enforcing fire laws, ordinances, and regulations, and related duties.

Performs related duties as assigned.

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Unless otherwise specified, all requirements listed below must be met by the filing deadline for application for admission to the examination.

Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States.

After offer of employment, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a physical examination, the selection and administration of which shall be authorized by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

Must be at least eighteen (18) years old and no more than forty(40) years of age.

Must have a high school diploma or a valid certificate of equivalency issued by a State Department of Education.

Must possess a valid driver's license.

Prior to beginning work in this class, must obtain and maintain a valid Louisiana driver's license.

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